

ALL-AREA GIRLS GOLF TEAM

GOLFER OF THE YEAR
LUCY ROBSON

All-Area
First Team



Bettina Almeida



Annabelle Campbell



Kendall Hedgecock



Abbey Huber



Tess Huber



Maddy Smith

BETTINA ALMEIDA
Jensen Beach sophomore
Stats: Averaged 40.1 strokes per nine holes, shot 51 (11 holes) in the District 18-2A tournament (medalist), shot 91 in the Region 6-2A tournament, shot 174 in the Class 2A tournament (tied for 46th)

ANNABELLE CAMPBELL
Vero Beach senior
Stats: Averaged 41.1 strokes per nine holes, shot 55 (11 holes) in the District 18-2A tournament, shot 99 in the Region 6-2A tournament

KENDALL HEDGECOCK
Vero Beach senior
Stats: Averaged 39.9 strokes per nine holes, shot 53 (11 holes) in the District 18-2A tournament, shot 81 in the Region 6-2A tournament, shot 176 at the Class 2A tournament (tied for 50th)

ABBEY HUBER
Lincoln Park sophomore
Stats: Averaged 38 strokes per nine holes, shot 76 in the District 19-1A tournament, shot 84 in the Region 7-1A tournament

TESS HUBER
Lincoln Park senior
Stats: Averaged 35.7 strokes per nine holes, shot 58 (11 holes) in the District 19-1A tournament (medalist), shot 82 in the Region 7-1A tournament

MADDY SMITH
Jensen Beach senior
Stats: Averaged 41.8 strokes per nine holes, shot 58 (11 holes) in the District 18-2A tournament, shot 79 in the Region 6-2A tournament, shot 163 at Class 2A tournament (tied for 22nd)

HONORABLE
MENTION

KAILEY BLAIR
Martin County senior

NICOLE BOLTON
Sebastian River junior

SARAH BROWN
St. Edward's senior

BRITTANY LAPADULA
Lincoln Park junior

COURTNEY LONG
Jensen Beach sophomore

TAYLOR LONG
Jensen Beach senior

MARGARET MARTZOLF
John Carroll freshman

ALEXANDRA NELSON
South Fork freshman

RACHEL RABON
Okeechobee senior

EMILY RAULERSON
Okeechobee senior

BRITTANY SOUCEK
Vero Beach sophomore

JACKIE STEIL
Vero Beach freshman

MADISON TEMPLE
St. Edward's sophomore



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Lucy Robson of Jensen Beach High School is the Scripps Treasure Coast Newspapers 2011 Girls Golfer of the Year.

Focus of a champion
Jensen Beach's Lucy Robson led her team
to a second-place finish in the state tournament

By Jon Santucci
Special to Treasure Coast Newspapers

JENSEN BEACH — For Lucy Robson, one bad summer tournament was parlayed into an outstanding high school season.

The Jensen Beach High School junior improved her stroke average from last year and finished tied for 11th in the Class 2A tournament. Robson, who helped Jensen Beach finish second in Class 2A, is the Scripps Treasure Coast Newspapers All-Area Girls Golfer of the Year.

"It was probably one of the most memorable years of my life," Robson said. "The team I had was more like a family because we worked together and tried to improve over the season and we got better as a team. I was really happy we made it that far. We were really disappointed on the last day of states, but we were proud we came back.

"I think I improved a lot. My stroke average for nine holes was better, my score at regionals and state was better. I practiced every day. I took as many lessons as I could and I played in a lot tournaments."

One tournament in particular was the Callaway Junior World Golf

Golfer of the Year

Lucy Robson
Jensen Beach junior
Stats: Finished 11th in Class 2A tournament with a two-round score of 157. She was second at the District 18-2A and Region 6-2A tournaments. Robson averaged 36.8 strokes per nine holes.
Coach Mike Thurman: "She was solid as usual. We always knew we could count on her. If Lucy was not the medalist, she was right there and she never deviated from that all season. She's the complete package. A good, solid golfer."

Championship at Torrey Pines in La Jolla, Calif. With college coaches "on each hole," Robson was 25-over-par for the first three rounds and missed the cut.

Robson said she struggled with that pressure, but calls it "one of the best experiences I've had."

Jensen Beach coach Mike Thurman noticed the difference in Robson's game when she returned.

"She does so many things well," Thurman said. "If I had to mention one thing, it's that she never loses her focus. You just know that you can

always count on her.

"One thing that comes to mind is if she ever does have an off hole, instead of letting it get inside her head, she'll bounce back. I've seen her many times bounce back with a birdie."

Robson averaged a team-best 36.8 strokes per nine holes. She finished second in both the District 18-2A and Region 6-2A tournaments.

Other than the mental aspect of the game, Robson worked on her short game in the offseason.

"My putting most of all," she said. "That's what I improved on the most. At state, my clubs were failing me. The strength of the flex was way too weak for me, so I had to focus on my short game to improve my long game."

After two solid rounds in the district and regional tournaments — Jensen Beach won both — Robson shot an 7-over par 79 on the first day of the Class 2A tournament.

She then shaved a shot off that total the second day, as Jensen Beach made a run at a state title but came up short.

"Any time you can go at that level, you can be up there near the top 10 in the state in a very, very competitive golf state, it speaks for itself," Thurman said.

Coach of
the Year



Mike Thurman

School: Jensen Beach
Years with team: Six
This season: Jensen Beach finished second in Class 2A, four shots behind state champion Niceville. The Falcons won the Region 6-2A and District 18-2A tournaments. Jensen Beach went 11-1-1 in the regular season.
Quotable: "I knew going in that we were going to have a very special year. When you have a team that finishes fourth in the state, as we did, and had everyone coming back, our expectations were high. We set the bar very high and we met those expectations."

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Lucy Robson,
Girls Golfer of the Year

TRADITION
GROWS

Jensen Beach became the fourth Treasure Coast school to finish first or second in the FHSAA Championships

1958
Dan McCarty (champion) Coach: Larry Slay
1965
Vero Beach (runner-up) Coach: Ralph Stafura
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Vero Beach (runner-up) Coach: Ralph Stafura
1975
Vero Beach (runner-up) Coach: Dan Thweatt
1977
Martin County (champion) Coach: Bob Collins
1978
Martin County (champion) Coach: Bob Collins
1999
Martin County (6A runner-up) Coach: Tom Speicher
2003
Martin County (2A champion) Coach: Kerry Lukas
2011
Jensen Beach (2A runner-up) Coach: Mike Thurman
NOTABLE
■ Single-class format from 1947 to 1993

The Team

The 2011 Girls Golf Team was compiled by Jon Santucci.

All-Area Schedule

FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	DEC. 23	DEC. 24	DEC. 26
Girls Golf	Boys Golf	Girls Swimming & Diving	Boys Swimming & Diving	Girls Cross Country	Boys Cross Country	Girls Bowling	Boys Bowling	Volleyball	Football